IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: **Brown et al.** § Group Art Unit: **3693**

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In response to the Final Office Action of December 7, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.